GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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APEX BODY FOR COTTON INDUSTRY
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request has been received to set up an apex body for cotton industry viz National Cotton Board of India on the line of National Cotton Council of USA;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard; and

(c) the time by which a financial decision is likely to be taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) to (c): The Working Group on Textiles, Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), New Delhi, envisaged the setting up of a National Cotton Board of India.

The existing Cotton Advisory Board (CAB) having representatives from all concerned advises the Government generally on matters pertaining to production, consumption in marketing of cotton and also provides a forum for liaison between the cotton textile mill industry, cotton growers, the cotton trade and the Government. The CAB performs similar functions that have been envisaged for the National Cotton Board of India by the FICCI.